

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 BELGRA 05299 261619Z

47

ACTION ABF-01

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 ISO-00 SCI-06 NSF-04 HEW-08 AGR-20 L-03

TRSE-00 OMB-01 CIAE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00 PA-04 RSC-01

USIA-15 PRS-01 SPC-03 SS-20 NSC-10 COME-00 DOTE-00

EPA-04 INT-08 SMI-01 HUD-02 DRC-01 /149 W

----- 081609

P R 261444Z NOV 73

FM AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7895

INFO AMCONGEN ZAGREB

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BELGRADE 5299

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OSCI, YO

SUBJ: US YUGOSLAV SCIENCE COOPERATION

REFS : A. BELGRADE 5032

B. BELGRADE 5106

C. STATE 216920

1. SUMMARY: JOINT BOARD CHAIRMAN TELLS US THAT YUGOSLAVS HAVE MADE FIRST DEPOSIT INTO SCIENCE JOINT FUND, AND ARE CONTINUING PREPARATIONS FOR DECEMBER MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON. YUGOSLAV FUNDING AGENCIES DESIRE GREATER ROLE IN GRANT PROCEDURES. END SUMMARY.

2. ALTHOUGH DEPARTMENT RESPONSE TO REFTELS A AND B NOT RECEIVED, SCIATT TOOK ADVANTAGE OF VISIT TO BELGRADE OF JOINT BOARD CHAIRMAN PIRKMAJER TO EXPLORE INFORMALLY WITH HIM AND SUTLOVIC (FAISECTC) POSSIBILITIES FOR EARLIEST AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURES FOR PAYMENT OF MONEY INTO AND OUT OF JOINT FUND.

3. PIRKMAJER REITERATED THAT YUGOSLAVS ARE FULLY COMMITTED
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 BELGRA 05299 261619Z

TO JOINT BOARD CONCEPT, AND WISH TO WORK ENERGETICALLY WITH US

TO FIND WAY TO PERMIT DISBURSEMENTS SOONEST TO SCIENCE PROJECTS, SOME OF WHICH, HE REALIZED, ARE INCREASINGLY IN NEED OF FUNDS. PIRKMAJER NOTED THAT YUGOSLAVS HAVE JUST DEPOSITED OVER 1.7 MILLION DINARS INTO JOINT FUND, EVEN THOUGH DEADLINE FOR FIRST YUGOSLAV PAYMENT UNDER INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT, IS ONLY APRIL 30, 1974.

4. PIRKMAJER SAID THAT HE WILL MEET WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF REPUBLICS AND ASSOCIATIONS CONTRIBUTING TO YUGOSLAVS PORTION OF JOINT FUND. THEY WILL DISCUSS PREPARATIONS FOR DECEMBER 10-14 JOINT BOARD MEETING, WITH EMPHASIS ON ISSUE OF FUNDING PROCEDURES.

5. SPECIFICALLY, PIRKMAJER WILL EXPLORE CONCEPT OF A SIMPLE STANDARD JOINT BOARD GRANT DOCUMENT, AS SET OUT IN STATE 156669, TO BE SIGNED BY BOARD ONLY AFTER MORE DETAILED PROJECT AGREEMENT HAS BEEN CONCLUDED BETWEEN U.S. AGENCY AND YUGOSLAV GRANTEE INSTITUTION.

6. IN LIGHT OF EQUAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO JOINT FUND BY YUGOSLAV SIDE, PIRKMAJER NOTED, YUGOSLAV FUNDING AGENCIES WILL WISH TO PLAY OWN APPROPRIATE ROLE IN DETAILED PROJECT AGREEMENTS. YUGOSLAV FUNDING AGENCIES WILL PROBABLY WISH TO CONCLUDE AGREEMENTS OF THEIR OWN WITH YUGOSLAV INSTITUTIONS, WITH TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONSIDERED NECESSARY BY YUGOSLAV SIDE. SINGLE PROJECT AGREEMENT SIGNED BY GRANTING US AGENCY, GRANTING YUGOSLAV AGENCY AND GRANTEE YUGOSLAV INSTITUTION WOULD BE A POSSIBILITY.

7. PIRKMAJER SAID THAT HE AND FAISECTC HAVE CLOSELY EXAMINED GRANT DOCUMENTS USED BY NBS, NSF, HEW AND USDA AND ARE NOW ATTEMPTING TO RECONCILE THESE WITH GRANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS WHICH WOULD BE REQUIRED BY CORRESPONDING YUGOSLAV GRANTING AGENCIES. DIFFERENCES, HE NOTED, ARE IN CONSIDERABLE PART NON-SUBSTANTIVE OR READILY RECONCILABLE. IN PART - HE MENTIONED PATENTS AS EXAMPLE - RECONCILIATION MAY REQUIRE SOMEWHAT GREATER EFFORT. HE HOPED THAT HE COULD PRODUCE DRAFT STANDARDIZED AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD SATISFY LEGAL REQUIREMENTS OF BOTH SIDES BY ABOUT DECEMBER 3.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 BELGRA 05299 261619Z

8. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE YUGOSLAVS ARE GENUINELY INTERESTED, JUST AS WE, IN MAKING JOINT BOARD CONCEPT FULLY OPERATIONAL AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME. THEY ARE, HOWEVER, CONCERNED THAT EACH ASPECT OF OPERATION SHOULD REFLECT EQUALITY TO WHICH THEY FEEL THEY ARE ENTITLED, AS CONTRIBUTORS OF 50 PERCENT OF FUNDS.

9. ACTION REQUESTED: IN TWO WEEKS REMAINING PRIOR TO JOINT BOARD MEETING, EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING

POSSIBLE TO BRING ABOUT EARLIEST RESOLUTION OF FUNDING PROCEDURE
ISSUE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE:

10. RE PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT OF MONEY INTO JOINT FUND:
IS EMBASSY'S INPRESSION CORRECT THAT THERE WILL BE NO NEED FOR
DOCUMENT TO BE SIGNED BY JOINT BOARD OR ANY YUGOSLAV AGENCY,
AND PAYMENT WILL BE EFFECTED BY USDO BELGRADE BASED SIMPLY
ON CABLE INSTRUCTION FROM DEPARTMENT?

11. RE PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT OF MONEY FROM JOINT FUND:
A. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHETHER RAJACIC
HAS SUPPLIED DEPARTMENT DRAFT STANDARD GRANT DOCUMENT (AS PER
BELGRADE 4609) AND IF IT WAS ACCEPTABLE.

B. REQUEST DEPARTMENT COMMENT ON PARA 5, BELGRADE 5032
REGARDING EMBASSY UNDERSTANDING OF THIS PROCEDURE.

C. WE WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENT ON PIRKMAJER IDEAS CONCERNING
DETAILED PROJECT AGREEMENTS.
TOON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 26 NOV 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973BELGRA05299
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: BELGRADE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19731114/aaaaakbf.tel
Line Count: 133
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION ABF
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: : A. BELGRADE 5032
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 12 OCT 2001
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <12-Oct-2001 by shawdg>; APPROVED <11-Dec-2001 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: US YUGOSLAV SCIENCE COOPERATION
TAGS: OSCI, YO
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005